

## Capriotti Favors Life Day

"I enjoyed myself very much," commented Mr. Capriotti, concerning Celebrate Life Day.

He said that the "high caliber" of workshop leaders, the "no hassling", and the attitudes of students and faculty members made May 1 a "most successful day." He also reported that, with one exception, all feedback he received was very positive.

Mr. Capriotti's major disappointment was the high rate of absenteeism. He added that 80% of the 710 absentees returned the next day with excuses from their parents.

Our principal remarked that he would like to continue this workshop concept next year, in addition to giving "serious consideration to expanding the program."

He mentioned a two week session similar to the interim programs which many colleges are instituting today.

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## MN TO STAGE MAN OF LA MANCHA

"The Impossible Dream" is coming to Marple Newtown. Man of La Mancha, a modern musical version of Miguel de Cervantes' classic Don Quixote, will be presented on the MN stage May 16, 17, and 18.

For director Henry Fetterman, work on La Mancha began when he chose the play several months ago. Since then, pre-production ideas of blocking, set design, and music have been formulated and discussed.

The cast consists of both well-known and new talent. According to Fetterman, the voices are "very, very fine, particularly for high school students."

Paul Williams began preparing for La Mancha in January with Mr. Fetterman. As stage manager, he has aided in planning the set and lighting designs, in addition to many other responsibilities.

Now he is overseeing everything on stage, especially the building of the set with master carpenter Carl Holden. Carl explained that the set was difficult



Director Henry Fetterman makes adjustments as Aldonza (Darlene Alberici) addresses a group of muleteers in a scene from MAN OF LA MANCHA. Matt O'Brien, as Alsello, is posed behind Aldonza.

to build because of the depth it has to convey.

Mr. Richard Gwartz has concentrated all his efforts on the music in La Mancha. Having worked with every cast member on all aspects of the musical score, he is well satisfied with their voices and the pro-

gress they have made.

Choreographers Marta Kauffman and Mrs. Laura Fetterman were presented with one of the few problems in La Mancha. Because of the lack of strong, trained dancers in high school, they found it necessary to

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# News

## GOODMORNING

Mrs. Friderichs, an English teacher, has been awarded a fellowship at the summer 1974 American Studies Program at Eastern College, St. Davids. 40 teachers from a six state area will study American history and literature under this program.

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Techniques of Group Theatre is a new book by Jan Kubicki. It is a resource book for directors and anyone interested in the history of the MN performance group.

The book sells for \$12.50 but can be obtained for \$10.00 from Mr. Kubicki.

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Rosie Recycle says "Instead of making those old hand-outs and bad test papers into airplanes, why not put them in the boxes you'll find in any of your classrooms?" The Crisis members thank you for your cooperation.

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Eight MN students had artwork accepted for exhibition at the Second Annual Eastern College Art Show. The students are Cindy Schaeffer, Michele Johnson, Janet Farrell, Karen Maute, Linda Ciali, Bob Oxman, Joanne Kearns, and Bill Seymour. Cindy and Janet received awards for their paintings.

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Senior Class officers for the 1974-75 school year will be Mike Schafer, President; Robert Fertel, Vice President; Madelyn Taufer, Treasurer; Sue Paul, Secretary.

## KARE Workers Investigate Darby Creek

Project KARE (Knowledgeable Action to Restore our Environment) is spurring students from grade school and up to preserve the world's resources now. The project, recently initiated at Marple Newtown, involves several student groups who plan to clean up the area.

Seniors Bob Collins, Lori Longo, and Bill Ford are determining why and how badly Darby Creek is contaminated.

Starting at Lawrence Road and West Chester Pike, they followed the creek along Maple Road. It runs near a sewage plant and Bob, Lori, and Bill are working

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## Seniors

## Choose Prom Theme

Seniors have chosen "We May Never Pass This Way Again" the theme for their prom on Friday, June 7 at the Downingtown Inn.

For the ticket price of \$32, couples will enjoy a breast of capon dinner while being entertained by musical groups including Tommy and the T-Birds and Wire and Wood.

Tickets are on sale before and after school in the main lobby. Prom Keys are provided free for the first 250 purchasers.

## THE TIGER'S



EYE

As I observe the positive reaction of the student body towards Celebrate Life Day, I begin to think of the infinite possibilities for other Celebrate type day.

How about a Celebrate Good Nutrition Day in which the cuisine normally served in the cafeteria (alias 'The Greasy Spoon') is abandoned. We'll have 100% beef hotdogs for the usual 99% cornmeal, 1% pork fat combinations and genuine ground sirloin hamburgers for the customary B.S. (Board of Sanitation) sanctioned ground cardboard patties.

For the faculty, we could have a Celebrate Obedience Day. All students would act respectable towards their teachers. It would probably be a flop, resulting in a Celebrate Detention Day.

Another possibility would be a Celebrate Aquatics Day. Everyone would be required to go swimming in the (ugh) pool, with no one using 'that' excuse.

## EDITORIAL:

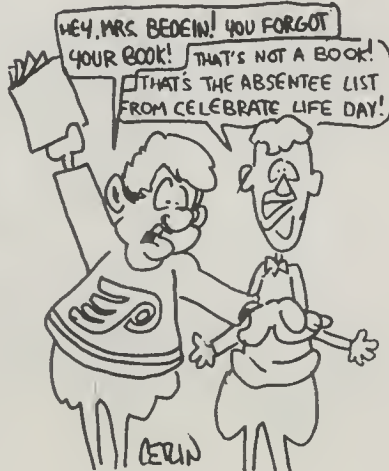
## Celebrate Life Day

What strange new creature hath visited MN? Doth a day exist when books are not carried by most students? Yes, on May 1, Celebrate Life Day was appreciated at MN. Classes were suspended, and an entirely new system of learning was introduced.

Was Celebrate Life Day a way to skip regular classes or was it a day of alternative education, as it was planned? Many students and teachers spent countless hours planning and executing Celebrate Life Day. Was it worthwhile?

Complaints were voiced at 9:05 AM when homeroom had not yet been terminated. Some students found themselves assigned to workshops which they had not signed up for. However, as the day progressed, smiles of celebration began to appear upon most faces. Of course, not everyone was satisfied and many were absent or decided to leave.

The students who stayed found themselves



Finally, we could have a Celebrate Nothing Day, in which everyone goes to class and does nothing, as usual.

## MY MARK



feeling sorry for those who were not there. How often does this happen during the school year?

Mr. Capriotti commented that May 1 had been the best day of the year. Many students, busy thinking about next year, discussed the benefits of having 2 or more Life Days. Still others commented on how relaxing the day had been and were slightly surprised and excited about the new, informal method of learning.

Those who were willing did learn and enjoyed it. Many people experienced some things that otherwise they would never come into contact with.

The staff of Celebrate Life Day was certainly efficient. They set up an information desk to which all problems were handled immediately. Celebrate Life Day can be termed a success and, hopefully, it will be warmly received next year.

Mary Wesoski

## Letters

Dear Editor,

In your last edition of Mar News, there was a picture from a scene in Man of La Mancha in which two people were left out. They were standing right there!

We feel that the picture should have been taken from farther back in the auditorium to cover about six feet more on the left side, or the angle should have been different, perhaps cutting off Darlene Alherici, Jeff Pinski, and Steve Aronson. This was a real letdown. We would appreciate another picture meeting our small request.

Thank you,  
Pedro and Tenorio

## Editor's note:

The original picture in question did include Pedro and Tenorio. The picture was cropped, as all newspaper pictures are, to focus on the main characters and the action of the scene.

## To the Mar News Staff:

In this age where jaundiced journalism is coloured with frequent fallacious fabrications and characterized by alliterate alacrity and little else, it was a pleasure to read the fine feature article in your recent (April 5) issue covering the local chapter of the FCA.

As president of the Boston Massachusetts FCA, I would like to extend my gratitude to the entire staff of the Mar News for this stellar reporting job. The Mar News should be an inspiration for newspaper people all over the world for it is a testament of man's most precious right, the Freedom of Speech. The criticism you may receive from your elders is trivial in comparison to the honor of your school's integrity, your community's integrity, and your soul's integrity.

As a further token of good will, I have enclosed the "FCA Calendar of Events" for 1973. We invite all of you in Newtown Square to be guests of the FCA throughout the year and may you have an enjoyable summer.

Ben Marcato  
President,  
Boston FCA

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# Nixon Takes No Lip

I have elected to go on television tonight to give my answer to the subpoena for the White House Tapes. I have weighed my words carefully and reached this decision: "No way, Man!"

The next topic to be dealt with in my speech this evening is the outrageous rumor circulating that the reason I say 'Deep Throat' seventeen times was because I wanted to get it down pat. This is untrue. I only saw it twelve times.

I now wish to speak on the impeachment proceedings. I have decided to abolish both the House of Representatives and the Senate. All laws will be made from this very office, with the president seated on his very tail.

They will be made behind this very desk, with this very swastika armband, on this very sleeve. I have also elected to go "mod" by growing a tiny Charlie Chaplin moustache on my sweaty lip.

I have also elected to abolish the Democratic, Independent, Socialist, and all the other dinky parties. The right to speak out against the "Royal Sovereignty of Richard Filbert Nixon" (my new name) will also be revoked.

Now this does not mean that we will in any way impose upon the rights of the citizens of the United States of Nixon (our great country's new name). We only wish to preserve and protect the American way of life. Thank you. Good night, and Seip Heil.



## OPINION-

MAR NEWS

# Revise Gym Classes

Gym: the required course that causes some of the most negative reactions at Marple Newtown. A pill, prescribed by state law, and docilely taken by students three times a week in one incorrigible form.

The state law making physical education mandatory was made with good intentions. Gym class provides activity for those who otherwise might not get any. But why is it set up in such a choiceless way?

Some students prefer team sports while others prefer personal sports. The way classes are conducted now, one may detest gym for one quarter and really enjoy it the next. Gym could be made enjoyable all year long.

Separate classes offering various sports under one category should be or-

## La Mancha

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simplify the long intricate dances.

Marta has created a mixture of very modern expressionistic movements with simple steps that have succeeded in using the dancers to their best advantage.

Alice Levin, student director for the band, will direct the La Mancha orchestra. Since the orchestra is located on both sides of the stage the musicians have experienced difficulty keeping the same tempo. However, Mr. Gwartz feels Alice is very "competent" and doing a "fine job."

## KARE

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to discover if any wastes are dumped unto the creek.

The creek continues on a route through Industrial Park and crosses a very polluted stream running from a nearby industrial incinerator. The seniors will investigate the extent of the impurity. If possible, they will follow an effective legal course to clean it up.

The main obstacle is the late arrival of valuable equipment such as water testers, needed to aid them. The equipment was obtained through a \$3400 federal grant for Project KARE. According to MN's student 'Crisis' coordinator, Steve Becker, it is expected any day now.

ganized. For example, if a student likes team sports, he could take a class that offers baseball, basketball, football, volleyball, etc. If a student prefers personal sports, he could sign up for a class teaching tennis, golfing, bowling, and archery. For those whose main interest is to keep in shape, a class could be centered on running and exercising. Students could choose their gym class just as they do a history or an English course.

Marple Newtown's physical education department has always seemed interested in progress and I'm sure that with some well-planned organizing, the pill of gym could be sugared into a swallowable, if not pleasing, form.

Melody Essex

# GIRLS TRACK CLUB SHOWS EFFORT

Defeat is hardly a fine way to start a track season. However, when a fine team effort is displayed, the score is insignificant.

This was the story when Conestoga downed the MN girls' track club, 66-39. MN fared better over Upper Darby, who also participated with Conestoga in this group meet. They defeated them, 88-18.

Lorie Cline swept two first places in both the 50 and the 100 yard dashes. Her winning times were 6:7 and 12:5 seconds respectively.

Cheryl Maute captured first places in the standing broad jump and the high jump with leaps of 7ft.1 inch and 4 ft. 4 inches re-

# Congratulations

...to the newly elected '74-'75 Executive Student Council: Joe Nace, President; Vince Giorno, Business Vice-President; Susan Becker, Executive Vice-President; Lynn Matichica, Recording Secretary; Julie Sam, Corresponding Secretary; Leslie Cedarquist, Treasurer; and Donna Viola, Parliamentarian.

...basketball players Chris Shaver, Dave Trevisan, and Mike Mosenson who were named outstanding hustler, defensive player and offensive player of the year, respectively, at a special awards dinner. Also honored were seniors Dave Martin, Jon Vile, and John Callahan.

...to Merit Scholarship winners Becky Murr (four years at Lafayette College), Lee Delacy (four years at Ursinus College), Richard Ryskamp (1000 grant), John Ellis (Carnegie Mellon Scholar), and also Kathy Wilson, who received a \$1000 grant from Westinghouse.

...Lisa Djergain, Girl of the Month, and John Friderichs, Student of the Month. Delaware County Christian Day School gives the Boy of the Month award to one of their students each May.

...to the MN Band for its clean sweep of first prizes in the Apple Blossom Festival Parade at Winchester, Virginia of May 4.

...Vo-Tech seniors Peter Callen and Bill Bogsch for taking second place at the regional level in the Chrysler Plymouth troubleshooting contest.

## LIFE DAY

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Students would be able to explore their interests and enter into more workshops in more areas in two weeks.

If Celebrate Life Day is expanded, Mr. Capriotti will demand full participation from administration, faculty, and students.

## LaCrosse

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JV also lost its game by a span of 8 points with the score at 10-2.

Lower Merion conquered MN with a flourish of excellent passes and plays in their 9-4 win. LM's JV shut out Marple Newtown's team by the final score of 6-0.

## JV Nine Beat Radnor

MN's JV Baseball team was at its finest last week as they routed the Raiders of Radnor, 11-1.

While the Tigers battered Radnor pitching for sixteen hits, hurler Mike Miller held the Raiders to three hits. He also struck out eight Radnor batters.

Aided by numerous errors and walks, the Tigers scored often including a five run sixth inning.

In earlier action, the Tigers beat Penncrest by a score of 5-3.

A homerun in the first inning by second baseman Steve Smith gave the Tigers an early lead. The lead did not last long, though, as Penncrest came back with two runs in their half of the inning.

MN stormed right back with four runs in the second and third innings to take command for good.

Earlier in the week, the Tigers dropped a 3-2 decision to Radnor.

## GIRLS' TRACK

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spectively. MN's 980 yard relay team claimed first place as did Terry Welk's 122 foot softball throw.

Ridley was the scene for the second meet, and a 50-50 tie was the outcome. Lorie Cline and Diane Carrelli took 2nd and 3rd in the 50 yard dash.

Diane Carrelli took first in the 200 yard dash and Sue Taylor placed third. MN swept first second, and third in the 440 yard run with outstanding performances by Katya Plasonovsk, Karen DeCruccio and Joyce Randazzo.

Other first place events for MN were the 980 yard run, the 880 yard relay, and the one mile run.

# Track Team Takes Penncrest

Despite a disappointing loss to Upper Darby, the MN track team came back and beat Penncrest 90-60.

The team is now 3 and 3, and expects a good end to the season with two meets remaining.

Dave Martin, running the hundred for the first time in a meet, tied for first. Dave also won the 440-yd. run in 51.6 seconds.

Jeff Carruthers tied his record high jump at 6'3" and also won the long jump. Tom Wilson won the pole vault with 13'. Glen Theil and Bruce Coren took firsts in the javelin and shot put respectively.

At Penncrest, confidence prevailed. Dave Martin again took two firsts. Bruce Reminger ran a 4:53 mile and won by seven seconds. Mark Conroy won the two-mile run.



The MN mile relay team after breaking the school record at the Penn Relays.

Every field event was taken by Marple except javelin. Firsts were Jeff Carruthers in the broad, high,

and triple jumps, Tom Wilson in pole vault, and Bruce Coren in shot and discus.

## Girls Tennis Team Topples Upper Darby

"I'm so proud. This is a true indication of a winning season," commented Coach Bilo after the Girl's Tennis Team won their match against Upper Darby. They beat Lower Merion and Haverford and losing only to Conestoga.

In Upper Darby's game, Jeanne Peterson, number two singles, pulled a victory after her third hard set. Both varsity doubles teams, Marion McConnell - Lee Goebel and Marple Scharf - Beth McCormick, won their matches.

The first and third singles matches were lost. The JV team also had a smashing victory of 4-1.

Continuing their winning streak, Jeanne Peterson, Goebel-McConnell and Scharf McCormick finished off their opponents in two sets against Lower Merion on April 25.

Jeanne Rotolone played a hard game but lost in two tie-breakers. Ruth Krumhaard filled in as third singles but lost. The JV won their matches also.

The match against Conestoga was lost 2-3. Linda Horton, third singles, and Marple Scharf - Beth McCormick, the doubles team, won their matches.

The teams beat Haverford on May 2. Jeanne Peterson and Marion McConnell-Lee Goebel won in two sets

while the first and third singles matches were lost 2-2. The deciding match was played by doubles Marple Scharf - Beth McCormick who smashed their opponents 6-0, 6-1.

## Baseball Tigers

### Make Errors ;

### Lose to Radnor

Two Marple fielding errors led to five unearned runs in the first inning as the Radnor Raiders defeated the unlucky baseball Tigers, 7-0.

Ed Arnold pitched for the Tigers and gave up only five hits in a losing cause. In the meantime, his teammates were up against a top Central League hurler, Knute O'Brien. With the exception of Dave Trevisan, who went 3 for 3, Knute had no trouble with MN hitters as he struck out 17 of them.

Earlier in the week, fielding error had plagued the Tigers as they dropped a 6-3 decision to the Aces of Lower Merion.

Four errors in the fifth inning wiped out a 3-1 lead for the Tigers. Bill Muldowny went two for three for MN with one run batted in, but the five run fifth by Lower Merion overcame the Tiger surge.

## MN Lacrosse Faces Losses

Bad luck continues to follow the Girls' Lacrosse Teams as they push through their '74 season.

Recent endeavors included an away game against undefeated Ridley on May 2. Marple looked very promising with a tough defense unmoving, but Ridley gained momentum after their first goal at the five minute mark. They never lost it during the remainder of the game, which ended with Marple losing by the score of 5-2.

Sue Schmidt, the Varsity goalie, put on her finest exhibition of the season, saving all but five of Ridley's blazing 30 shots on goal.

Ridley's dominance in the JV game was emphasized by our three shots. Ridley managed to pepper MN with 26 shots, 7 of which passed the goalie's reach. The final score was 7-1.

Springfield challenged MN on April 30 and came out the victors. Varsity's final score of 11-6 saw spurts of MN resistance but overall game dominance was held by Springfield.

Springfield's JV had its share of trouble in their close win, 2-1, over Marple's squad.

Earlier, Penncrest and Lower Merion dealt hard losses to both Varsity and JV teams. Penncrest defeated the Varsity 13-5,

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